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FM AMEMBASSY MANILA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3131

C O N F I D E N T I A L MANILA 6137

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, RP

SUBJECT: CONDITION OF SENATOR AQUINO

REF: MANILA 6048

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY PHYSICIAN AT VA HOSPITAL THAT SENATOR AQUINO WAS ADMITTED TWO DAYS AGO DUE TO FEVER FROM DEHYDRATION. PHYSICIAN HAS CHECKED ALL HIS CHARTS AND GONE OVER LAB TESTS BUT HAS NOT REPEAT NOT SEEN AQUINO. PHYSICIAN REPORTS AQUINO'S VITAL SIGNS ARE GOOD AND STABLE. BLOOD PRESSURE, PULSE AND TEMPERATURE ARE ALL NORMAL. LIVER AND KIDNEY TESTS ALSO WERE NORMAL. AQUINO NOW WEIGHS 123#. HE IS BEING GIVEN FOUR PILLS OF DRUG MORIAMIN (WHICH PHYSICIAN BELIEVES IS AMINO ACID PREPARATION) AND SUSTAGEN (WHICH IS AMINO ACID PREPARATION GIVEN TO SUSTAIN LIFE). AQUINO IS STILL FASTING. PHYSICIAN NOTES THAT AQUINO IS DIZZY AND WEAK. HE SAID DURING FIRST DAY IN HOSPITAL AQUINO'S URINE OUTPUT WAS 1/3 OF INTAKE AND HE WAS GIVEN SALT. PHYSICIAN INDICATED THIS WAS BAD BECAUSE HE WAS HOLDING SALT CAUSING URINE TO CONCENTRATE WHICH COULD CAUSE PROBLEMS. SECOND DAY, HOWEVER, AQUINO'S WATER INTAKE WAS INCREASED AND URINE OUTPUT BECAME 1/2 OF INTAKE WHICH PHYSICIAN DESCRIBED AS GOOD.

2. MANILA PRESS CARRIES UPI ACCOUNT DATED MAY 7 NOTING AQUINO IS IN HIS 33RD DAY OF FAST BUT IS DOING WELL AFTER  
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BEING ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL. UPI ACCOUNT QUOTES HIS WIFE:

"HE'S STILL VERY WEAK BUT HE LOOKS OK. I ASKED HIM IF HE IS FEELING ANY DISCOMFORT AND HE SAID "ITS A LITTLE BIT DIFFICULT NOT BEING ABLE TO SEE THE CHILDREN". MRS. AQUINO SAID THAT ONLY SHE AND HER MOTHER-IN-LAW ARE PERMITTED TO SEE SENATOR WHO IS IN INTENSIVE CARE UNIT OF VETERANS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

3. AT YESTERDAY'S PERPETUATION HEARING, EX-HUK CDR. BENJAMIN SANGU (CDRPUSA) CLAIMED AQUINO PROVIDED NPA IN CENTRAL LUZON LARGE QUANTITY OF MEDICAL SUPPLIES IN 1969. CDR. PUSA ALSO SAID AQUINO HAD SHELTERED HIM WHEN HE WAS WOUNDED IN TWO SEPARATE ENCOUNTERS WITH GOVERNMENT IN 1971 AND THAT HE HAD SEEN OTHER NPA MEMBERS AT AQUINO'S HOME.

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